BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of ITC Midwest LLC's and)	
Fortis Inc.'s Joint Application for) <u>File No. EM-201</u>	6-0212
Approval of Merger.)	

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO EXTEND DEADLINE FOR FILING RECOMMENDATION

Issue Date: August 11, 2016 Effective Date: August 11, 2016

On August 8, 2016, the Commission's Staff filed a *Motion for Extension* requesting the Commission allow an additional thirty days for Staff to submit a recommendation on the Joint Application for Approval of Merger filed by Fortis Inc., ITC Holdings Corp., and ITC Midwest LLC (jointly, "Applicants"). Staff states that the parties are conducting settlement discussions and need additional time to determine if an agreement is feasible. Staff indicates that the Applicants do not oppose the extension request.

The Commission finds Staff's motion to be reasonable and will grant the extension request.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Should the parties not reach a settlement agreement, Staff shall file a recommendation on the Joint Application for Approval of Merger no later than September 8, 2016.

2. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

Kim S. Burton, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 11th day of August, 2016.